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Subject: RE: Brief Summary of Mayors Point

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Sorry for the immediate follow-up email but I just received the signed PRFA.

Have a great day,

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Jim and Ted,

I've written up a brief summary to help get the conversation started tomorrow and make sure we are all starting on the same page.

The Mayor's Point site is an ongoing discharge of oil from the ground with an unknown source. I've included a map of the 3 primary properties currently considered "the site". Jordan and I attended a site walk with USCG in late October 2020 and agreed during that meeting to provide the USCG a SOW for a PRFA to EPA and a SOW for further investigation that the USCG would use to procure a contractor. Following that meeting the site fell out of priority for the USCG for a few weeks. 1/5/2021 we received the draft unsigned PRFA. The PRFA is under review by Lt. Spado's CO and I expect to get the signed PRFA, covering approximately \$30K, sometime this week or next. USCG is planning to move forward with procurement of a contractor to conduct the SOW we provided. They are contracting Resolve and it is anticipated that Resolve is subcontracting Tetra Tech to conduct the work. That is the same method that was done to conduct the initial investigation on the PACCOM property. Our proposed SOW focuses on a more comprehensive groundwater investigation including, sampling from multiple wells across the 3 properties and a 48 hour groundwater flow study to try and get a feel for the tidal influence and how it might affect the movement of product sitting on the groundwater. There should be a site walk in 2-3 weeks and the investigation work will likely move forward 2-3 weeks after that. USCG has requested EPA to be onsite for both on-site activities to help guide the investigation and provide technical expertise. I will create a travel request form for the initial site walk for submittal next Tuesday even though we likely won't know the exact date of travel yet.

The largest question that has come up multiple times is that USCG wants EPA to take the site over. Recently they've wanted to include EPA in Unified Command. Jordan and I have told them, on separate occasions, that EPA does not feel there is a role for us in Unified Command at this time and will continue to support the site as either an SME or could support through the Environmental Unit. They have raised a couple concerns that they have but overall yesterday I believe we all came to an agreement that EPA was not taking it over, or joining Unified Command, at this time and that once a RP is identified the most likely scenario is that the state will oversee the cleanup moving forward. Ancillary to the ongoing release of oil is the regulatory status of the Ocean Petroleum (OP) Facility

itself. They do not currently have an FRP on file with EPA or USCG but have restarted over water fueling operations and now are required to have an FRP. Ted is planning to work with the USCG contact that is already working with OP to try and get them into compliance.

I believe that covers most of what has happened and what the site looks like moving forward. Have a great day,

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